Indian Rare Earths Limited, located at Chhatarpur in Orissa.

(b) The strike mentioned at (a) above was resolved by way of signing a settlement under Section 12(3) of Industrial Disputes Act, arrived at by the Union and the Management. As a result the strike has been called off and normalcy has been restored.

CBI raids of top officials' premises after new Government's assmuption of Office

3092. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI T. A. MOHAMMED SAQHY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of top officials' premises raided by CBI since new Government have assumed office;

(b) designation of each official, department/organisation to which each official belonged, date of the raid, recovery made, including the number of documents taken into custody, and the amount and other valuable seized or assessed;

(c) whether cases have been registered against any of these officials; if so, dates of registration;

(d) whether any of the officials have been placed under suspension pending disposal of the cases; if so, details thereof;

(e) what steps are being taken by Government to clean the Government/public sector undertakings; and

(f) whether there is any proposal to weed out officials of doubtful integrity and men of dubious character; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Thirty-five.

(b) A Statement indicating the requisite details is annexed as Annexure 'A'. [*See* Appendix CLV Annexure No. 104]

(c) Yes, Sir. The date of registration of cases is indicated in the Statement annexed.

(d) None.

(e) Eradication of corruption is a continuous process. A three-pronged strategy i.e. preventive surveillance and detection and deterrent punitive action is continued to fight corruption at all administrative levels.

(f) Provisions already exist under the service rules to this effect and weeding out officials of doubtful integrity and men of dubious character is done on regular basis.

3093. (*Transferred to the 5th September*, 1990).

Illegal use of technology by American Company developed by IIT, Kanpur

3094. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a commercially important technological process developed in 1969 at the IIT Kanpur and patented in 1970 by Indian Scientists has been illegally used by an American aluminium company, Duralcon, a subsidiary of Alcon Ltd. to produce cast aluminium composites;

(b) whether this violation of Indian patent rights has been brought to the notice of Government and the I.I.T. Kanpur; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) to (c)